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BOARD OF MANAGERS, 1890-91.

SOLON W. BUSH, *Pres.*
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" CHARLES PLIMPTON.
" C. E. MILES.
" L. J. BIRD.
" FRANCIS KITTREDGE.
" WILLIAM KITTREDGE.
" D. P. BOSWORTH.
" LEWIS MORSE.
" EUGENE CLAPP.
" EDWARD HARRIS.
" L. TAYLOR.
" A. J. WHITING.

Matron.

Mrs. MARY B. CURTIS.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

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Aaron H. Bean.
George H. Wyman.
John Carr.
Henry Wood.
William A. Paine.
T. J. Homer.
Mrs. Emily L. Couthouy.

COMMITTEE ON ADMISSIONS.

Mrs. T. J. Homer, 59 Winthrop Street.
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COMMITTEE ON FURNISHING AND REPLENISHING.

Mrs. Milliken. Mrs. Parker. Mrs. Wyman.

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

Mrs. Ward. Mrs. Bolster. Miss Fowle.

COMMITTEE ON REPAIRS.

Mr. Bean. Mr. Carr.

VISITING COMMITTEE.

April.

Mrs. Wyman. Mrs. Milliken.

May.

Mrs. Parker. Miss Holden.

June.

Mrs. Bird. Mrs. Miles.

July.

Miss White. Mrs. Whiting.

August.

Mrs. Homer. Mrs. Taylor.

September.

Mrs. Morse. Mrs. F. Kittredge.

October.

Mrs. Wm. Kittredge. Mrs. D. P. Bosworth.

November.

Miss Fowle. Mrs. Bolster.

December.

Mrs. Clapp. Mrs. Plimpton.

January.

Mrs. Harris. Mrs. Bolles.

February.

Mrs. Carr. Mrs. Waite.

March.

Mrs. Tripp. Miss Nevers.

REPORT.

In submitting our report for the year ending April 1, we feel that we have especial cause for gratitude, first, for the immunity from sickness among the beneficiaries during a season when an unusual and fatal distemper has prevailed.

The only death has been that of Miss Eliza Melcher, who died May 2, at the age of eighty-two, having been an inmate of the Home for fifteen years, her board being paid by Dr. Hale's church, Miss Freeman from that church making her a special care.

One of the inmates who had been given a free bed became so weak in mind from extreme age that she was not only a source of great discomfort to her room-mate, but a serious disturbance to the household; and she has been placed with a relative, the Home paying her board. This arrangement made room for one more in the Home, which was in immediate request and promptly filled.

It is with gratification we recognize the kindly, helpful spirit that prevails among the younger and stronger members of the family toward the feeble and helpless ones.

Our work for children is the same as for several years, aiding widows with young children dependent upon them to give their children a mother's care by making them a monthly allowance which helps to pay their rent; and we are so well assured of the beneficence of this work, we would gladly extend it, if our duty to the aged inmates of the Home would warrant it.

In the early history of the Home it was largely dependent on the annual May-day fair, in which the ladies of the various churches united and a goodly portion of the town of Roxbury participated.

This was abandoned about fifteen years ago, but for several years the call for a larger and more commodious Home has been so urgent that the Directors felt that it should be again resorted to, to stimulate an interest in the Home and to furnish means for the extension of its work; and on last Memorial Day a very successful sale was held at the Home, resulting in the sum of $569.24 to the treasury and the addition of forty annual subscribers.

It was voted that the proceeds of the sale should form a nucleus for a fund to build an addition to the Home.

Later we received the legacy left by the late Stephen Williams, amounting to $38,710.61, also a bequest of $5,000 from his sister, Miss Mary Williams, and at once decided to begin the long-desired enlargement of the Home.

The plans have been designed by a competent architect and approved by the Management, and the foundation is already begun; and it is hoped that next autumn will see the completion of the building.

A much larger fund than we have will be needed for the maintenance of the Home in its full capacity, and we purpose to reinstate the annual sale as one means of securing a steady interest in its support; but, on account of the confusion attendant upon building, we must postpone until fall the sale we had intended to have held on Memorial Day, when, we trust, with the co-operation of the public, we may be able to make it a much more extensive affair, and hold it in Horticultural Hall.

The Home would also gratefully acknowledge a donation of $50 from Miss Helen Bradlee, and of $100 from Miss Anna C. Lowell; also, $50 from Mrs. Olive C. Hayden. The two latter ladies gave many years of faithful and efficient service to the Home, and, since relinquishing active work, have shown a constant and substantial interest in its behalf.

A liberal contribution of underclothing has also been received from the Roxbury Benevolent Society, through the kindness of Mrs. Jeremiah Plimpton and Mrs. James Hayward, which was received with grateful appreciation.

We are under renewed obligations to many kind friends for assistance in the Sunday services, which are a source of great enjoyment to those who are unable to attend public worship, and would especially mention the many acts of kindness of the Rev. D. W. Waldron; also, to the several branches of King's Daughters and others who cheer many hours by visiting and reading among the household.

The visits of the representatives of the Christmas and Easter Festival Mission are anticipated and fully enjoyed, and to them we owe hearty thanks.

As for many years, Dr. Streeter continues assiduous in his visits to the Home, and Dr. Lawrence has cordially consented to visit those who prefer homœopathic treatment.

The Home still continues under the care of Mrs. Mary B. Curtis as Matron, who is kind, efficient, and faithful, proving herself to be fully capable of discharging all the duties put upon her.

As in beginning, so in closing our report, we would be grateful for our year of prosperity and for the encouragement of greater usefulness in the future.

GEORGE H. WYMAN, *Treasurer*, IN ACCOUNT WITH ROXBURY HOME FOR CHILDREN AND AGED WOMEN.

Dr.

To Balance of Account April 1, 1889,		$217.15
Income from Admissions,		900.00
Income from Investments,		3,005.94
Income from Board,		144.15
Income from Subscriptions: —		
Life Membership,	$50.00	
One of	100.00	
One of	20.00	
Two of $10,	20.00	
Six of $5,	30.00	
Seven of $3,	21.00	
Four of $2,	8.00	
One hundred and forty-three of $1,	143.00	392.00
Amount received for Building Fund,		775.74
Bequest from Miss Mary Williams,		5,000.00
Bequest from Mr. Stephen Williams,		38,710.61
		$49,145 59

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By Amount Invested,	$38,851.23
Invested in Real Estate,	600.00
Invested in Mortgage,	6,000.00
Table Supplies,	1,196.48
Salaries, Wages, and Labor,	1,340.60
Fuel and Lights,	322.08
Repairs and Furnishing,	126.88
Medicines,	26.73
Dr. Streeter,	100.00
Printing Annual Report,	55.79
Printing, Stationery, and Postage Stamps,	26.03
Safe Deposit Vault,	15 00
Water Tax,	18.60
Incidentals,	69.07
Balance to New Account,	397.10
	$49,145.59

BOSTON, March 31, 1890. I have examined the books and accounts of the Treasurer, and find them to agree with the above statement.

WILLIAM A. PAINE, *Auditor pro tem.*

ROXBURY HOME FOR CHILDREN AND AGED WOMEN.

Schedule of Assets in the Hands of the Treasurer, March 31, 1890.

	PAR VAL.	MARKET VAL.
New York & New England R.R. Bonds, 7%,	$5,000.00	$6,350.00
Eastern R.R. Bonds, 6%,	2,000.00	2,520.00
Burlington & Missouri R.R. Bonds, 6%,	600.00	717.00
Old Colony R.R. Bonds, 7%,	2,000.00	2,245.00
Columbus & Hocking Valley R.R. Bonds, 7%,	500.00	565.00
Kansas City, Fort Scott & Gulf R.R. Bonds, 7%,	1,000.00	1,180.00
Boston, Concord & Montreal R.R. Bonds, 7%,	3,500.00	3,745.00
Portsmouth, Great Falls & Conway R.R. Bonds, 4½%,	1,000.00	1,045.00
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy R.R. Bonds, 5%,	1,000.00	1,005.00
Atlantic & Mutual Ins. Co. Scrip,	7,500.00	7,500.00
Forty-four Shares Lowell R.R.,	4,400.00	7,678.00
Forty-five Shares Chicago, Burlington & Quincy R.R.	4,500.00	4,736.25
Four Shares Warren National Bank,	400.00	540.00
Twenty-five Shares Boston & Albany R.R.,	2,500.00	5,425.00
Twenty-five Shares Boylston Ins. Co.,	2,500.00	1,750.00
Six Shares Washington Ins. Co.,	600.00	468.00
City of Minneapolis Bonds,	2,000.00	2,530.00
Chicago, Burlington & Northern Bonds,	2,000.00	2,055.00
Demand Loans,	10,000.00	10,000.00
Cash on hand,	397.10	397.10
CAROLINE PORTER FUND.		
Boston & Maine R.R. Bonds, 7%,	1,000.00	1,120.00
New York & New England R.R. Bonds, 7%,	2,000.00	2,540.00
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy R.R. Bonds, 4%,	1,000.00	930.00
Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fé R.R. Bonds, 4%,	1,000.00	845.00
ADAMS FUND.		
Sixteen Shares Lowell R.R.,	1,600.00	2,792.00
Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fé R.R. Bond, 4%,	1,000.00	845.00
WILLIAM WHITING FUND.		
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy R.R. Bonds, 4%,	4,000.00	3,720.00
Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fé R.R. Bonds, 4½%,	1,000.00	845.00
LOWELL FUND.		
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy R.R. Bonds, 4%,	2,000.00	1,860.00
Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fé R.R. Bonds, 4%,	1,000.00	845.00
	$68,997.10	$78,793.35

Boston, March 31, 1890.

Bonds and securities examined, and found correct.

WILLIAM A. PAINE, *Auditor pro tem.*

LIFE MEMBERS, $50.00.

*Mrs. Thomas Adams.
Mrs. N. J. Bowditch.
*Miss Louisa Champney.
Mrs. Jeremiah Plimpton.
Mrs. Olive E. Hayden.
Miss Sarah M. Champney.
*Mrs. George Dove.
Mrs. David P. Kimball.
Mrs. Henry S. Shaw.
*William Taylor.

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION,

ONE DOLLAR AND UPWARDS.

1889-90.

Aldrich, Mrs. C. A.
Appleton, Mrs. Mary G.
Appleton, William C.
Ayer, Mrs. Martha A. H., $2.
Ayers, Miss Alice C.

Bacon, Augustus
Bartlett, Miss Mary H.
Bastow, Mrs. M. A.
Bayley, Mrs. M. R.
Beaman, Mrs. N. P.
Bean, Aaron H.
Bean, Miss Caroline
Bean, Miss Mary H.
Bird, L. J.
Blanchard, Mrs. William
Bolles, Mrs. Charles
Bolster, Mrs. Solomon J.
Bosworth, Mrs. D. P.
Bowdlear, Miss H. E.
Bradford, Mrs. C. F.
Bray, Mrs. C. F.
Brigham, Miss E. D., $5.
Brown, Atherton T., $5.
Bush, Rev. Solon W.
Bush, Mrs. T. D.

Carr, Albert E.
Carr, John
Carr, Mrs. John
Clarke, Mrs. Mary L., $3.
Clapp, Mrs. Eugene H.
Cobb, Miss Elizabeth
Cobb, Mrs. E. M. S.
Couthouy, Mrs. William A.

Dary, Mrs. G. A.
Davis, Mrs. Elizabeth, $2.
Dawson, Miss Sarah
Dean, Miss Lilian F.
De Normandie, Mrs. James
Dillaway, Mrs. Charles K.
Dillaway, Miss M. E.
Draper, Mrs. C. E.
Draper, W. H.

Edson, Mrs. P. O'M.

Fairbairn, Robert B.
Fletcher, Mrs. K. P., $10.
Forbes, Mrs. H. D.
Foster, Albert J.
Foster, Mrs. Anna S.
Foster, Mrs. Charlotte
Fowle, Miss C. L.
Fowle, Miss Helen
Fowle, Mrs. H. D.
Fowle, Mrs. William

Green, Mrs. Franklin, $5.
Gregory, Mrs. George W.

Haines, Miss A. M.
Haley, Mrs. C. L.
Hall, Mrs. Solomon, $2.
Harmon, Mrs. Ivory
Harrington, Miss I. D.
Harrington, Miss M. S.
Hayward, Mrs. J. W.
Heath, Miss Elizabeth
Hemenway, Mrs. A. B.

Hobbs, Miss Alice A.
Hobbs, Mrs. George M.
Hodges, Mrs. Danforth C., $3.
Holden, Miss H. F.
Homer, Thomas J.
Homer, Mrs. T. J.
Howard, Miss H. S., $3.
Humphreys, R. C.

Jackson, Mrs. A. C.
Jackson, Mrs. L. A.

Kelly, Mrs. H.
Kimball, Miss Helen
Kittredge, Francis W.
Kittredge, Mrs. Francis W.
Kittredge, Mrs. William

Lamson, Mrs. Joseph
Lane, Mrs. Benjamin P.
Lee, Mrs. Luther M.
Leland, Mrs. William S.
Little, Mrs. Samuel
Lowell, Miss Anna C., $3.

Martin, Mrs. Henry A., $5.
Miles, Dr. E. C.
Milliken, Mrs. E. T.
Monroe, Mrs. George H.
Morrill, Mrs. Geo.

Nazro, Mrs. Fred H.
Nazro, Miss H. W.
Nevers, Miss Lucy A.
Newell, Mrs. James M.
Ney, J. A.
Noble, John
Noble, Mrs. John
Norton, Mrs. J. H.

Otis, Mrs. Harriet B.

Paine, William A.
Parker, Mrs. Augustus
Parker, Mrs. J. Wells
Parker, Miss Sarah
Pettee, Mrs. Seth
Pierce, Mrs. M. A.
Phinney, Mrs. William, $3.
Plimpton, Charles H.
Plimpton, Mrs. Charles H.
Pollock, Mrs. Charles

Randall, Miss B. L., $5.
Rice, Mrs. Edward E., $5.
Rice, Mrs. George Woods
Richards, Miss J. A.
Rogers, Miss Laura D.
Rogers, Miss Susan S., $3.

Sargent, Mrs. Epes
Silsbee, Mrs. J. W.
Simes, Mrs. William
Smith, Mrs. A.
Snow, Miss Salome
Soren, John H.
Soren, Miss Emily
Soren, Miss Grace
Souther, Horatio H.
Stanton, Mrs. F. L.
Swett, Miss Eliza G.
Swett, Miss Ellen L.

Thacher, Miss C. B.
Thompson, Mrs. Augustus
Tilton, Mrs. Hubbard W.
Tolman, Mrs. James
Townsend, Miss Anna S.
Townsend, Mrs. John
Tripp, Mrs. Lucina F.
Tufts, Mrs. Arthur W.
Tuttle, Mrs. Thomas W.

Waite, Edwin
Waite, Mrs. Edwin
Waldron, Miss Mary B.
Ward, Mrs. Francis J.
Ware, Miss Harriet
Ware, Mrs. Leonard
Weld, Miss Susan
Wheelock, Mrs. J. Andrews
Wheelwright, Mrs. George
Wheelwright, Mrs. Josiah
White, Miss Margaret U.
White, Miss S. D. H.
Wiley, Miss K. C.
Williams, Mrs. R. B.
Williams, Stephen H., Jr.
Woods, Miss Carrie
Wyman, George H.
Wyman, Mrs. George H.

Bequests to the Roxbury Home for Children and Aged Women since April 1, 1884:—

Mrs. Mary Vinton,	$500.00
Miss Sarah Bradford,	500.00
Mrs. Mehitable Adams,	1,000.00
John H. Eastburn,	3,000.00
Mrs. Catharine C. Humphreys,	1,000.00
Benjamin F. Penniman,	127.73
Mrs. Catharine L. Pray,	500.00
Miss Sarah A. Hart,	2,000.00
Joseph W. Tucker,	500.00
Charles G. Emmons,	500.00
Mr. Stephen Williams,	38,710.61
Miss Mary Williams,	5,000.00

SUNDAY SERVICES.

We wish again to thank the clergymen and laymen who have so cordially ministered at the service which is held for the inmates of the Home each Sunday at 4.30 P.M., except through July and August.

Ministers and laymen who have officiated at the Home for the year 1889–90:—

Rev. D. W. Waldron.
Rev. A. H. Plumb.
Mr. G. Fiske.
Mr. F. Kittredge.
Mr. J. C. Perkins.
Mr. R. Humphreys.
Rev. G. Lawson.
Deacon E. B. Reynolds.
Rev. C. R. Eliot.
Rev. J. De Normandie.
Rev. C. Goodelle.
Mr. F. Barry.
Rev. A. P. Foster.
Rev. Mr. Dunnell.
Mr. C. S. Carter.
Deacon J. W. Cudworth.
Mr. H. Williams.
Rev. L. H. Packard.
Rev. F. Campbell.
Rev. E. E. Rexford.
Mr. W. E. Kittredge.
Rev. R. C. Smith.
Rev. J. Smith.
Rev. A. C. Thompson.
Rev. W. R. Campbell.
Rev. W. H. Lyon.
Rev. E. P. Palmer.
Mr. C. G. Wells.
Rev. Dr. R. J. Adams.
Rev. E. D. Mallory.
Rev. C. Page.
Mr. N. F. Thayer.
Rev. G. S. Converse.
Rev. G. Young.
Rev. B. H. Johnson.

DONATIONS.

We would gratefully acknowledge professional services of Dr. Streeter, Dr. Seaverns, and Dr. Lawrence, and kindly gifts from: —

Mrs. Charles F. Curtis.
Miss Mary A. Howard.
Rev. D. W. Waldron.
Miss Holland.
Miss H. E. Freeman.
Mrs. F. J. Ward.
Boston Y. M. C. U.
Mrs. Francis Kittredge.
Mrs. Weston.
Mr. R. Humphreys.
Mrs. Tinkham.
Mrs. Woodward.
Mrs. Orlando Davenport.
Mrs. K. P. Fletcher.
Miss H. F. Holden.
Mrs. A. Parker.
Fresh Air Fund.
Miss S. D. H. White.
Mrs. J. Plimpton.
Mrs. Lewis J. Bird.
Mrs. Charles Withington.
Mrs. S. B. Dean.
Mrs. C. E. Miles.
Mrs. Austin.
Mrs. C. K. Dillaway.
Mrs. H. McElroy.
Miss Minot.
Mr. S. G. Brooks.
Miss Helen Fowle.
Miss Gertrude Alley.
Miss Lillian Alley.
Mrs. E. Barry.
Mr. H. S. Lawrence.
Mrs. T. J. Homer.
Mrs. Dutton.
Miss H. F. Dawson.
Miss Gertrude Whitcomb.
Mrs. W. E. Smith.
Mrs. F. Spillman.
Mrs. C. D. Downes.
Mrs. D. P. Bosworth.
Mrs. W. Paine.
Miss B. W. Griggs.
Mrs. John Way.
Mr. and Mrs. E. Clapp.
Mrs. A. F. Clapp.
Mrs. A. H. Thaxter.
Mrs. J. Seaverns.
Mrs. S. D. Brackett.
Mrs. William E. Kittredge.
Mrs. G. H. Wyman.
Miss M. A. Mitchel.
Mrs. S. A. Bolster.
Miss C. Fowle.
Mr. J. Backup.
Miss E. Swett.
Miss E. L. Swett.
Mr. J. Soren.
Mr. H. Martyn.
Mrs. C. F. Bray.
Mrs. Folger.
Mrs. Hitchcock.
Mrs. M. L. Bradford.
Books from Edith Nason Circle of King's Daughters.
St. James's Church.
All Souls' Church.
Walnut Avenue Church.

INMATES.

Miss Eliza Brereton,	72
Mrs. Eliza R. Carson,	74
Miss M. Louisa Crawley,	74
Miss Elizabeth R. Davies,	82
Miss Mary A. Dolan,	63
Mrs. Elizabeth Frieze,	66
Mrs. Ann Huggins,	86
Mrs. Cordelia C. A. Jordan,	89
Mrs. Ellen Lawler,	78
Miss Lydia Learned,	76
Mrs. Sarah B. Noyes,	68
Miss Elizabeth Paterson,	76
Miss Jane Peer,	73
Miss Harriet Robbins,	72
Mrs. Tencie W. Rogers,	68
Miss Eliza A. Sargent,	71
Miss Sarah Seaverns,	84
Mrs. Sally A. Wormwood,	69

ACT OF INCORPORATION.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND FIFTY-SIX.

AN ACT

To incorporate the Children's Home and Home for Aged Females in Roxbury.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. James Ritchie, John Rogers, Charles K. Dillaway, and James Waldock, their associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation by the name of the Children's Home and Home for Aged Females in Roxbury, for the purpose of providing for destitute children and aged females, and affording a temporary home for the same, with all the powers and subject to all the duties and liabilities set forth in the forty-fourth chapter of the Revised Statutes.

SECT. 2. Said corporation may take and hold real estate not exceeding the value of twenty thousand dollars, and personal estate not exceeding the value of thirty thousand dollars, for the aforesaid charitable purposes.

SECT. 3. This Act shall take effect from and after its passage.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, May 29, 1856.

Passed to be enacted.

CHARLES A. PHELPS, *Speaker.*

IN SENATE, May 30, 1856.

Passed to be enacted.

ELIHU C. BAKER, *President.*

May 31, 1856.

Approved.

HENRY J. GARDNER.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE, June 3, 1856.

A true copy.

Attest: THOMAS DEWITT,

Secretary of the Commonwealth.

[CHAPTER 199.]

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FOUR.

AN ACT

To change the name of the "Children's Home and Home for Aged Females in Roxbury."

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. The name of the corporation known as the "Children's Home and Home for Aged Females in Roxbury" is changed to the "Roxbury Home for Children and Aged Women."

SECT. 2. This Act shall take effect upon its passage.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, April 20, 1874.

Passed to be enacted.

JOHN E. SANFORD, *Speaker.*

IN SENATE, April 23, 1874.

Passed to be enacted.

GEO. B. LORING, *President.*

April 24, 1874.

Approved.

W. B. WASHBURN.

SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, April 28, 1886.

A true copy.

Witness the Seal of the Commonwealth.

[SEAL.] DEPUTY HENRY J. COOLIDGE,

Secretary of the Commonwealth.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE.

AN ACT

Enabling the Roxbury Home for Children and Aged Women to hold additional real and personal estate.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. Section two of chapter two hundred and forty of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and fifty-six, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Children's Home and Home for Aged Females in Roxbury," is repealed, and the following is substituted in place thereof: Said corporation may take and hold real estate not exceeding the value of seventy-five thousand dollars, and personal estate not exceeding the value of seventy-five thousand dollars, for the aforesaid charitable purposes.

SECT. 2. This Act shall take effect upon its passage.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Feb. 12, 1883.

Passed to be enacted.

GEORGE A. MARDEN, *Speaker.*

IN SENATE, Feb. 14, 1883.

Passed to be enacted.

GEORGE G. CROCKER, *President.*

Feb. 15, 1883.

Approved.

BENJAMIN F. BUTLER.

SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT, March 1, 1883.

A true copy.

Attest: HENRY B. PEIRCE,

Secretary of the Commonwealth.

BY-LAWS.

ADOPTED APRIL 22, 1884.

ARTICLE I.

The corporation shall consist of the persons named in the Act of Incorporation, all Life and Honorary Members, and of all such persons as shall have received, at any legal meeting of the Board of Managers, a majority of the votes cast at such meeting, and shall pay such sum as shall be voted as the annual assessment. Membership to cease upon non-payment of the annual assessment.

ARTICLE II.

OFFICERS.

The officers of the corporation, under the name of the "Board of Managers," shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, Auditor, and not more than thirty other persons, all of whom shall be members of the corporation. They shall be chosen by ballot at each annual meeting, and shall hold their offices for one year and until others are chosen and qualified. The Board of Managers shall have power to fill any vacancies occurring during the year.

ARTICLE III.

MEETINGS.

The annual meeting of the corporation shall be holden on the fourth Tuesday of April; and the Board of Managers may call special meetings of the corporation whenever in their opinion expedient or desirable, and it shall be their duty to call them whenever requested in writing so to do by twenty members. Notice of time and place of meeting shall be given in one or more newspapers published in the city of Boston at least four days previous to the meeting.

A regular meeting of the Board of Managers shall be held on the third Tuesday of every month, at such place and hour as they shall direct; and special meetings may be called at any time by the President, Vice-President, or Committee for the month. Notices of such special meetings shall state the object for which they are called. Six members shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE IV.

MANAGERS.

The Board of Managers shall have the entire government and control of the Home, and of the general business and property of the Association. They may choose committees from their own members on Finance, Supplies, Repairs, Admissions, and such other committees as may be necessary to perform any special duties. They shall have full power to take any measures which they may deem expedient for encouraging subscriptions, donations, and bequests to the corporation; and they shall make an annual report to the corporation, on the Treasurer's accounts and on the general state of the Home, and give an abstract of their doings for the year.

ARTICLE V.

VISITING COMMITTEE.

There shall be a Committee of one or more from the Board of Managers for every month, whose duty it shall be to visit the Home at least once a week, ascertain all needs, make fitting suggestions, give orders for necessary purchases, and submit their report at the succeeding monthly meeting. They shall also have supervision over outside beneficiaries.

ARTICLE VI.

TREASURER.

The Treasurer under the direction of the Committee on Finance shall have the charge and care of the finances, shall receive all moneys due, and shall pay all bills which have been approved by the Board of Managers or their authorized committees. He shall render an account annually to the corporation and quarterly to the Board of Managers.

ARTICLE VII.

AUDITOR.

The auditor shall, in the month of April of every year, audit the account of the Treasurer, examine the property of the corporation, and append his report to the Treasurer's annual statement.

ARTICLE VIII.

SECRETARY.

The Secretary shall notify and attend all meetings of the corporation and of the Board of Managers, and shall keep a distinct record of the doings of each, with the names of those present at Board meetings, and shall notify the members of the Visiting Committee of their term of service, and shall bring to the attention of the Board all communications requiring action.

ARTICLE IX.

LIFE MEMBERS.

Any person who shall contribute the sum of $50 may become a Life Member by a vote of the Board of Managers.

ARTICLE X.

ADMISSION OF INMATES.

Preference shall be given to those applicants who are residents of that part of Boston formerly known as Roxbury. The Managers may, if they deem it expedient, aid beneficiaries at their own home.

ARTICLE XI.

DONATIONS.

All sums received by the Association as donations or bequests, unless the donor or testator shall otherwise prescribe, and all moneys collected, including subscriptions, may be applied to the current expenses of the Institution, or to create or increase a permanent fund, or be otherwise invested at the discretion of the Board of Managers.

ARTICLE XII.

AMENDMENTS.

The foregoing By-laws may be altered, amended, or added to by a vote of a majority of the members present at any legal meeting of the corporation, notice thereof having been given of the change proposed in the call for said meeting.

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS.

ARTICLE I.

VISITING COMMITTEE.

The visitors for the month shall visit the Home not less than once a week. It shall be their duty to see the inmates, inquire into their condition, and give such encouragement and advice as may be in their power or the circumstances of the case seem to require. The Committee shall have the general oversight of the Matron and the concerns of the family. They shall ascertain the needs of the Institution, and direct the purchase of such articles as may be required for its temporary welfare and comfort. They shall see that the Matron conforms to the rules as to her own conduct and that of the family, and they shall make a monthly report to the Managers of the Institution.

ARTICLE II.

MATRON.

The Matron, under direction of the Visiting Committee, shall have charge of the house. She shall in no case be absent during the night without permission from the Visiting Committee. She shall enforce the rules and regulations of the Managers, and carry out such others as may be prescribed by the Visiting Committee. She shall be present at meals, see that they are properly served, and that all the inmates who are in health are present, and that suitable food be prepared for the sick. She shall report to the Visiting Committee the names of all applicants and the date of application, and, if presents be made to the Institution, the names of the persons making them, and the character of the donation. She shall at all times maintain the respect due to her station, and by kindness, attention, and judicious treatment endeavor to gain the esteem and secure the comfort and happiness of all those under her care. If improper conduct is observed in any member of the family, she shall, after the first offence, report the same to the Visiting Committee. She will, under the direction of the Visiting Committee, have the direction of nurses, domestics, and all other employees in the building. It shall be her duty to see that neatness and good conduct prevail in every part of the establishment, and that all unnecessary fires and lights are extinguished by 9.30 P.M.

ARTICLE III.

ON ADMISSIONS.

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Admissions to visit each applicant and inquire into her circumstances and character, and make a full report to the Board in writing in regard to those deemed by them proper persons for admission to the Home, always accompanied with a certificate from a physician of good standing that he has examined the applicant, and that she has no physical or mental infirmity that should preclude her admission. The Board shall, in all cases, decide upon the admission of candidates. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Admissions to keep a record, in which shall be entered the names of all applicants, their respective ages, places of birth and residence, by whom recommended, date of application, and such other information as may be of importance. No person shall be admitted as an inmate of the Home without a recommendation from this Committee.

SECT. 2. No person shall be admitted to the Home unless of American parentage, except by a majority of all the Managers present and voting at a regular meeting; and preference shall always be given to natives or residents of Roxbury.

SECT. 3. Persons under sixty years of age shall not be eligible. In the admission of all persons, they shall be received on probation of three months, at the expiration of which the Board of Managers shall act definitely on the case of each one so received; and, if not confirmed as permanent inmates, the admission fee, deducting three dollars per week, shall be returned.

SECT. 4. The Board of Managers may by vote admit inmates on such terms as the pecuniary condition of the corporation or the circumstances of any peculiar case may seem to demand. Until otherwise ordered, three hundred dollars shall be the fee for admission. Furniture and other articles brought into the house by or for permanent inmates must remain for the benefit of the Home.

SECT. 5. The Board of Managers have the right at any time to discharge and remove from the Home any inmate who has been guilty of disobedient or disorderly conduct, or who, in their judgment, has by her conduct rendered such action necessary for the best interests of the Institution, *provided*, however, that no vote of removal shall be passed, unless the intention to pass such vote shall have been inserted in the notice calling the meeting.

SECT. 6. Inmates who have property must secure the same to the corporation before admission; and, in case of money or other property coming into their possession after their admission, by inheritance, bequest, or otherwise, they must, if they continue in the Home, make the same over to the corporation upon the demand of the Board of Managers.

SECT. 7. Inmates will be required in all cases to comply with the Rules and Regulations of the Home, as provided by the Board of Managers.

ARTICLE IV.

INMATES.

SECTION. 1. The inmates will be required at all times to treat the Matron and Visiting Committee with deference and respect. They will also endeavor, by quiet and gentle manners, to diffuse an air of cheerfulness and good feeling throughout the establishment; and, by acts of kindness and forbearance, to gain the esteem and promote the happiness and comfort of each other.

SECT. 2. Those who are able will be required to make their own beds and to keep their own rooms in order, neat and clean, and, under direction of the Matron, to assist those who are unable to do the same. They will also be expected to assist in domestic duties and in sewing, and generally to render all the services they can for the benefit of the Institution and the comfort of those inmates more helpless than themselves.

SECT. 3. No intoxicating drinks shall be used, except by order of the physician; and, in such cases, they must be administered by the Matron.

SECT. 4. All that is necessary for the comfort of the inmates of the Home will be provided from the funds of the Association. No inmate, therefore, will, on any account, be permitted to leave the Institution to solicit assistance or procure work, unless by special permission from the Visiting Committee.

SECT. 5. No inmate will be allowed to interfere with the Matron or to obstruct her in the discharge of her duties, but any one having cause of complaint must present the same to the Visiting Committee.

SECT. 6. If any inmate desires to visit her friends or to go off the premises at any time, permission must be obtained of the Matron, who, before granting the same, must ascertain where the person wishes to go and how long she proposes to be absent.

SECT. 7. All of the inmates who are able will take their meals at the regular table provided for them, and will also attend the Sunday service held for them in the parlor each Sunday afternoon.

ARTICLE V.

Visitors may be permitted any day in the week between the hours of 10 and 12 A.M. and 2 and 6 P.M., and on Sundays after 2 o'clock P.M.

ARTICLE VI.

These Rules and Regulations may be altered, amended, or abrogated, and others prescribed at any regular meeting of the Board of Managers; and, to insure harmony, strict attention should be paid to them.